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Dear Ms. Hesse,


Please accept my support of the proposed settlement between *United States vs. Microsoft Corporation*.

Rather than beating Microsoft in the free market, AOL and Sun and others engaged the Justice Department to do it for them. Their true intention has clearly been to deny consumers their market choices and instead force them into paying higher prices for lesser quality products. Competition is the key, not government intrusion.

Without competition, the high technology industry would be completely insignificant. Microsoft, Sun, AOL, Netscape, and others all drive each other to lower prices and better products, all to the benefit of consumers.

The time has come to settle this case. Taking into consideration the poor condition of the economy, the last thing we need is additional inane litigation.

Sincerely,

  
Karl Turner  
State Senator